

### **REMARKS**

This is a full and timely response to the non-final Office Action of August 27, 2004. Reexamination, reconsideration, and allowance of the application and all presently pending claims are respectfully requested.

Upon entry of this First Response, claims 1-23 are pending in this application. Claims 8-15 are directly amended herein, and claims 16-23 are newly added. It is believed that the foregoing amendments add no new matter to the present application.

### **Claim Objection**

Claim 8 is objected to as containing a minor typographical error. Claim 8 has been amended herein to correct for this error, and Applicants respectfully request that the objection to claim 8 be withdrawn. It is believed that the amendment to claim 8 does not affect the scope of this claim.

### **Response to §102 Rejections**

A proper rejection of a claim under 35 U.S.C. §102 requires that a single prior art reference disclose each element of the claim. See, e.g., *W.L. Gore & Assoc., Inc. v. Garlock, Inc.*, 721 F.2d 1540, 220 U.S.P.Q. 303, 313 (Fed. Cir. 1983).

### Claim 1

Claim 1 presently stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102 as allegedly anticipated by *Hayes* (U.S. Patent No. 6,339,826). Claim 1 presently reads as follows:

1. A computer system, comprising:  
memory; and  
a security application configured to display a list of security rules for locking down resources of said computer system, said security application configured to enable a set of said security rules, based on inputs from a user, and to cause said computer system to enforce said enabled set of security rules by modifying a machine state of said computer system, ***said security application further configured to enable said user to select one of said security rules and to display information describing said selected rule in response to a selection of said one rule by said user***, said information based on data stored in said memory.  
(Emphasis added).

Applicants respectfully assert that *Hayes* fails to disclose at least the features of claim 1 highlighted above. Accordingly, the 35 U.S.C. §102 rejection of claim 1 is improper.

In rejecting claim 1, it is asserted in the Office Action that *Hayes* teaches “a security application configured to display a list of security rules for locking down resources of said computer system (col. 19, lines 50-55).” Thus, it is apparently alleged in the Office Action that “names of applets” and their “permission status” depicted in the “right panel” of FIG. 17 constitute the “list of security rules” recited by claim 1. It is further asserted in the Office Action that “said security application further configured to enable said user to select one of said security rules and to display information describing said selected rule in response to a selection of said one rule by said user (col. 17, lines 65-67).” The cited section of *Hayes* describes initiating a “context switch” in response to an administrator clicking a “user or user group.” However, there is nothing to indicate that information describing any of the alleged “security rules” is displayed ***in response to*** the context switch selection.

In particular, *Hayes* teaches that the preferences for the selected “user or user group” are loaded and used to update an object, referred to as “object P.” See column 18, lines 1-11. However, there is nothing to indicate that such preferences are ***displayed*** in response to the context switch selection. Instead, *Hayes* teaches that, once the user preferences are loaded, “(t)he administrator can now proceed to modify the new preferences for the new context.” Column 18, lines 11-12. The manner that preferences are displayed and modified is described by other sections of *Hayes*. In particular, *Hayes* teaches that the information displayed in the “right panel” of FIG. 17 is displayed by the selection of an “Applet Permissions tab 1518,” not by the alleged context switch selection (*i.e.*, the selection of a “user or user group”). See column 19, lines 50-54. Thus, the Office Action fails to establish that “information” describing any one of the alleged “security rules” (*i.e.*, the “names of applets” and their “permission status” depicted in the “right panel” of FIG. 17) is ***displayed in response to*** the alleged selection of the “one security rule.” Accordingly, Applicants submit that *Hayes* fails disclose at least a “security application” configured “to display information describing said selected rule in response to a selection of said one rule by said user,” as recited by claim 1.

For at least the above reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that *Hayes* fails to disclose each feature of claim 1, and the 35 U.S.C. §102 rejection of claim 1 should, therefore, be withdrawn.

#### **Claims 2-7 and 19-22**

Claims 2-7 presently stand rejected in the Office Action under 35 U.S.C. §102 as allegedly anticipated by *Hayes*. Further, claims 19-22 have been newly added via the amendments set forth herein. Applicants submit that the pending dependent claims 2-7 and 19-22 contain all features of their respective independent claim 1. Since claim 1 should be allowed, as argued hereinabove,

pending dependent claims 2-7 and 19-22 should be allowed as a matter of law for at least this reason. *In re Fine*, 5 U.S.P.Q.2d 1596, 1600 (Fed. Cir. 1988).

### **Claim 8**

Claim 8 presently stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102 as allegedly anticipated by *Hayes*.

Claim 8, as amended, reads as follows:

8. A computer system, comprising:  
means for displaying a list of security rules for locking down resources of said computer system;  
means for receiving inputs from a user of said computer system;  
means for enabling a set of said security rules based on said inputs from said user;  
means for enforcing said enabled set of security rules;  
***means for selecting one of said security rules from said displayed list; and***  
***means for displaying information describing said selected rule in response to a selection of said one rule by said selecting means.*** (Emphasis added).

For reasons similar to those set forth hereinabove in the arguments for allowance of claim 1, Applicants respectfully submit that *Hayes* fails to disclose at least the features of claim 8 highlighted above. In addition, claim 8 recites that a “security rule” is selected from a “list of security rules.” As set forth above in the arguments for allowance of claim 1, it is apparently asserted in the Office Action that the “names of applets” and their “permission status” depicted in the “right panel” of FIG. 17 constitute the “list of security rules” recited by the pending claims. However, there is nothing in *Hayes* to indicate that the alleged “selecting” is performed from the alleged “list of security rules” depicted by FIG. 17. Thus, *Hayes* fails to disclose “means for ***selecting*** one of said security rules ***from said displayed list***” and “means for displaying information describing said selected rule ***in response to a selection of said one rule by said selecting means,***” as recited by claim 8. (Emphasis added).

For at least the above reasons, Applicants respectfully assert that *Hayes* fails to disclose each feature of claim 8, and the 35 U.S.C. §102 rejection of claim 8 should, therefore, be withdrawn.

### **Claim 9**

Claim 9 presently stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102 as allegedly anticipated by *Hayes*.

Claim 9, as amended, reads as follows:

9. A method for locking down resources of computer systems, comprising the steps of:  
displaying a list of security rules for locking down resources of a computer system;  
receiving inputs from a user of said computer system;  
enabling a set of said security rules based on said inputs from said user;  
enforcing said enabled set of security rules;  
***selecting one of said security rules from said displayed list; and***  
***displaying information describing said selected rule in response to said selecting step.*** (Emphasis added).

For at least the reasons set forth hereinabove in the arguments for allowance of claims 1 and 8, Applicants respectfully assert that *Hayes* fails to disclose at least the features of claim 9 highlighted above. Accordingly, the 35 U.S.C. §102 rejection of claim 9 should be withdrawn.

### **Claims 10-18**

Claims 10-15 presently stand rejected in the Office Action under 35 U.S.C. §102 as allegedly anticipated by *Hayes*. Further, claims 16-18 have been newly added via the amendments set forth herein. Applicants submit that the pending dependent claims 10-18 contain all features of their respective independent claim 9. Since claim 9 should be

allowed, as argued hereinabove, pending dependent claims 10-18 should be allowed as a matter of law for at least this reason. *In re Fine*, 5 U.S.P.Q.2d 1596, 1600 (Fed. Cir. 1988).

### **Claim 23**

Claim 23 has been newly added via the amendments set forth herein. Claim 23 presently reads as follows:

23. A computer-readable medium having a program, the program comprising:  
    logic for displaying a list of security rules;  
    logic for enabling a set of said security rules, based on inputs from a user;  
    logic for causing a computer system to enforce said enabled set of security rules;  
    logic for enabling a user to make a selection of one of said security rules while said list of security rules, including said one security rule, is being displayed;  
    and  
    logic for displaying information describing said selected rule in response to said selection.

Applicants respectfully submit that the cited art fails to disclose or suggest each of the above features of claim 23. Accordingly, claim 23 is allowable.

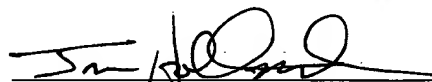
**CONCLUSION**

Applicants respectfully request that all outstanding objections and rejections be withdrawn and that this application and all presently pending claims be allowed to issue. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding Applicants' response, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone Applicants' undersigned counsel.

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